main, dear sir, faithfully yours, CLARKSON N. POTTER.

WHAT THE NEWSPAPERS SAY.

New Haven Palladium: - "Mr. Tilden's chances of the nination at St. Louis are not so good as they were a

outhern battle field, but the remainder of his body is

tion will pass into our political history, and only be remembered with contempt."

Now Orleans Picayane:—"Morton and Conkling are also politically dead, and their epitaph will be:—'They hated not wisely, but too well.'"

Scranton (Pa.) Republican:—'In the sense that our candidates are medicare we enter the campaign heartily

Elmira (N. Y.) Gasette:—"Republican journals find it hard work to stir up any enthusiasm for their dishwater ticket. It doesn't take worth a cent."

Cincinnati Commercial:—"Governor Hayes is ex-

ance and supply omissions by emphatic words."

Boston Post:—"It appears that it was Hayes who saved the country, and not Grant. There's nothing like a Presidential campaign for discovering heroes."

Baltimore Gozette:—"What are needed at St. Louis

bly well as the tail to the republican Presidential kite. He will detract nothing from the strength of Hayea." New Orleans Times:—"The ticket is not only strong, but the men must be conceded reasonably good, and the St. Louis Convention must look well to its selec-

Fredericksburg (Va.) News: -- "Hyena," 'Bully,"
'Ananias' Blaine had better retire from 'the theatre public affairs' and practice 'the dramatic art' in e provincial towns. He has not been a success.''

leves,' and to wage an aggressive and relentless war-

Springfield Republican:—"The party might have done better for itself and by the country. But it has deno worse in the rocent past; so much worse that this good natured, gentlemanly Mr. Hayes, by contrast, becomes almost a subject for devout gratitude."

Worcester (Mass.) Press:—"It is yet too early to express an opinion as to the strength of the national republican ticket in the appreaching contest. There is at present little enthusiasm in the republican party over the nomination of Hayes and Wheeler."

New Hayon Register:—"St. Louis is next in order, Let it be the ablest democratic statesman—a man of unsulted honor and integrity—and one of such commanding ability and experience in public life as to recure the confidence of the people everywhere."

Newark (N. J.) Courier:—"One of the very best things done by the Cincinnati Convention was the rejection of the Spencer delegation from Alabama. That

ection of the Spencer delegation from Alabama. That delegation represented the worst possible carpet bag siement, and its admission would have doomed the

party in that State."

Monireal (Can.) Gazette:—"If the republicans, therelore, have not every reason to be satisfied, they may
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agony is over, and that a foolish choice at St. Louis next week may place them on more than equal footing with their opponents."

Washington Ecening Star:—"Ohio men who know Governor Hayes well say that his talents and abilities are of a much higher order than he has ever been credited with. He is so entirely unassuming and modest that only those thoroughly intimate with him are aware of his real capacity."

Ulica (N. Y.) Observer:—"We have no desire to underestimate the strength of the republican candidates; but unless we greatly mistake the signs of the times the ticket that 'unites all the factions' will prove to be a very weak ticket. All the factions will unite in permitting somebody bosides themselves to do the permitting somebody bosides themselves to do the

[From the Columbus (Ohio) Bispatch.] tovernor Hayes remained in his office all day, quietly flewing the situation and receiving as unconcerned as riewing the situation and receiving as ubconcerned as if he was not a candidate. When the sixth ballot was announced, showing that he was steadily increasing, he exhibited signs of nervousness, and when the result of the seventh ballot and his nomination was announced to him his face turned almost perfectly white, and it was several minutes before he seemed able to speak, as it still doubting and believing the news too good to be true. He inquired it it was a fact, and expressed edire to see the lightest. The matter was fully settled by the arrival of a message from the telegraph operator. Then the people began to join in extending their congratulations.

SELF-DES. RUCTION.

Yesterday afternoon a party of gentlemen went to the Sea View Driving Park, New Dorp, for the purpose of timing their horses. As they were about to leave the park one of their number went into the pool stand, and was horrified at finding the body of a man lying in a pool of blood. The deceased was apparently a Frenchman, about thirty years of age, and well dressed. Lying by his side was a seven chambered revolver, with two of the chambers discharged. Upon examining the deceased two builts wounds were found in his left side. Coroner Lea was notified, and held an inquest, the jury shuding that the deceased came to his death by pistor shot wounds inflie no by his own hand.

A watchmaker named k Fry, reading on the flacken sack Plank Road, N. J., attempted to commits suically yesterday by shooting himself in the head. Financial difficulties are understood to be the cause of the rish act. Hopen are entertained that he will recover.

Yesterday alternoon Daniel Mop, aged thirty-live, of No. 35 Baxter street, a latorer, attempted suicade in the saloon of Thomas Stack, No. 25 Baxter street, by a swallowing an onnee of landanum. An alarm was given, and he was taken to the Sixth precinct station in Franklin street, and thence to the New York Hospital is Chambers street. He will recover.

The Commemorative Vase Presented to William Cullen Bryant.

A BEAUTIFUL TESTIMONIAL.

An Enthusiastic Reception to the Venerable Poet.

memorative of his eightieth birthday, to William Cul-len Bryant attracted to Chickering Hall last evening gathered together in this city. Long before the hour fixed for the beginning of the ceremony had arrised every seat on the main floor of the half was occupied, and by eight o'clock even the galleries

Among the distinguished persons present were Charles O'Conor, Peter Cooper, A. A. Low, Daniel Huntington, John Taylor Johnson, William H. Appleton, Joseph H. Choato, Frederick Sturges, J. Pierpout Morgan, George Cobert Ward, Hy W. Fellows, Howard Cresby, J. G. Holland, Theodore Roosevelt and F. A. P. Barnard. It was a few moments after eight o'clock when Mr. Bryant was conducted to a seat on the stars by Dr. Samuel Osgood, the chairman of the when Mr. Bryant was conducted to a seat on the stage by Dr. Samuel Osgood, the chairman of the committee. The entire audience rose as the venerable post made his appearance and greeted him with a hearty outburst of applause, which was unmistakable in its warmth. After Mr. Bryant had taken his seat Dr. Osgood made a lew preliminary remarks concerning the occasion modeling the vasc. All willows made a very neat little speech on behalf of the firm, and alloded feelingly to the enthusiasm with which the men who had been intrusted with the sake of the charming poet whom they all admired."
He created considerable merriment by reminding his

this commemorative git to the patriarch of American letters. You have not only done honor to yourselves but to your art—even to the ancient and honorable art of the goldsmith and the silversmith—and you have done your part to put it where it belongs in the fellowship of useful and beautiful arts. All the arts belong tegether, and it has been well said that art is one while its instruments are many. Art is one and its aim is to give life and force to knowledge, and to render into action the science which is light. The spirit of the living God that called the Cosmos out of chaos, and who is ever making the many into one, is the great workers especial commission, as when of old He called Bezaleol, the son of Uri, to his service and said.—'I have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom and in understanding, and in knowledge and is all manner of workmanship, to devise cunning works, to work in gold and in silver and in bress, and in cutting of stones to set them, and in carving of timber, to work in all manner of workmanship, why wonder at the commander of the common of the college of the called the common of the college of the household, the loyalty of the nation, the wisdom of the mind and heart of mankind has been perpetuated its gold and silver and bronze and precious stones? From the plain gold ring by our generosity. What merit would be simply doing your duty; you

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CHEAP TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION.

THE TERMINAL PACILITIES OF NEW TORK-WHAT THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE RAIL BOADS, STEAMSHIP LINES AND MERCHANTS THINK OF THE DECAY IN COMMERCE.

Testerday a very important meeting of the Cheap Transportation Association was held, at which a most im-portant report was made by the Committee on Terminal Facilities. There were present Messrs. B. P. Baker. John F. Henry, A. B. Miller, Theodore F. Lees, J. B. H. Wales, of the Dock Commission; an officer of the Belt Line Railroad and a number of shippers, reprelutions explains itself :-

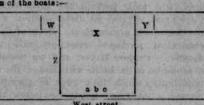
BOILER EXPLOSION.

Three Men Killed on the Tugboat H. K. Workman.

MANY NARROW ESCAPES.

Shortly before six o'clock vesterday morning a ter accident occurred at pier 39 North River, by which three lives were lost and a considerable amount of property was destroyed. The tugboat H. W. Workman lay moored nearly opposite the foot of Vestry street, and adjoining the dock where the Albany day boats land. On one side is the Laight street dumping ground of the Street Cleaning Department, near ings ready to be towed out to sea. On the other side is a grain elevator. The Workman lay beside the canal boat Julia Sheppard, with its bow pointing to-

The following diagram shows the pier and the portion of the boats:--



W. shed on which the body was blow K. dock in which the bosts lay.

On board the Workman were Kneeland Wright, the book; Cornelius Ferdon, a visitor, and Alexander Reid,

At about ten minutes to six o'clock a terrific explo ion occurred, and the huge iron boiler separated into a dozen different pieces, which were sent flying through the air in every direction. A cloud of steam swept flying metal, and then revealed what was left of the Workman—a total wreck. The crashing of the pieces the late occupants of the Julia Sheppard, Captain Charles Hopkins and wife, bravely struggling for their lives, while their boat was sinking. Their efforts were at last successful, for, with the timely assistance of

on board the Workman was beyond doubt, but no one saw a trace of any of them. Wright, the cook, who weighed 200 pounds, was, however, afterward found, a tained of his companions, although the river has been dragged and the debris to a large extent removed.

Strange to say, the vest of the unfortunate cook was

of the five story tenement No. 72 Beach street, and another portion, weighing 400 pounds, sunk through the roof of No. 378 Washington street, two blocks away, making an aperture of ten feet square. Another piece, weighing 800 pounds, was sent flying across the street, a distance of 150 feet, to the corner of West and Leight streets, mass, and remained red hot for several minutes after it alighted. A little to the north, opposite the Albany day line pier, were scattered portions of the smoke stack,

The cleaster which occurred yesterday morning cost three lives, and if it had happened an hour later it is probable that a score of persons would have been sacri-sced to the criminal negligence or incompetence of usome of the evening journals, that, in justice to the public, ought not to be overlooked. It is hinted that it is easy to obtain, through the venality or supineness of the inspectors, a certificate for any boiler, however dangerous its condition. I may perfect working of the safety valves on all boilers. They ought to be tested monthly, at least. Those on vessels carrying passengers should be examined fortunghtly. The tug Workman, it is conceded, blew up from an over pressure of steam. Her boiler stood at its last inspection is hydrostatic pressure of 130 pounds, and she was allowed a steam pressure of eighty-five pounds. The tremendous force with which the fragments of the boiler were thrown prove that there must have been a pressure exerted of several hundred pounds to the square inch. Her safety valve was, in all probability, set to correspond with the amount of steam sllowed to be carried—that is, the weight was placed upon the lever at such a distance from the valve seem that, theoretically, the valve would be displaced by a pressure exceeding eighty-five pounds. The pressure increased granually to perhaps 800 pounds, and still no warning was given by escaping steam. If the safety valve had acted the boiler would not have burst. The Westfield disaster, many an gineers have held, occurred from the same cause. How many boats have boilers in a similar condition? There are locked safety valves on nearly all passenger boats. Bo they suffer the steam to escape when the legal pressure is exceeded? I do not believe on sout of six does. The valve sents become corroded through misus, and the power of adherence amounts almost to solirity. Let the inspectors try the boilers of those of our boats that carry passengers and by actual experiment give us the number whose safety valves of those of our boats that carry passengers and by actual experiment give us the number whose safety walves will permit the steam to escape when the gauge marks the limit of the pressure allowed by law. I will wager that they will find them to be lew in number.

NEW YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

A special meeting of the above society was held las night in their rooms, corner of Tenth street and Second avenue. A large and highly respectable audience filled the hall. After the ordinary routine business a paper was read upon the "Beginning of the New York Bur." L.L. D., but, on account of his unavoidable abs nee, a was read by Mr. C. E. Moore. The paper began y tracing the origin of law. Stoyve

LONGEST DAY IN THE YEAR.

To-day, June 21, is the longest day in the year, and equinox in September. To-day the sun enters the sign of Cancer—that is, a point in the ecliptic in which he is consequently, at the turning point of his apparent course. The days remain sensibly unaltered in dura-tion, and for three days before and as many after the 21st there is but the difference of a single minute in

A SHARP RAIN SQUALL

easterly wind prevailed at the time and continued throughout the day. The dense rain clouds that passed northwestward over the city were detachments from the heavy masses of vapor that were suspended at the time over eastern Leng Island and the 'Atlantic Ocean, and which formed one of those meteoric visitors that approach us from the southward, having originated in the equatorial zone. The marginal clouds, caught by the sarince currents of wind, were drilted at a very low clevation toward the course of low barometer now moving eastward over the lake region. Vessels approaching our port experienced the full force of the central disturbance which is now whirling on its way across the Atlantic Ocean to the northwestern coast of Europe.

A meeting of bondholders was held yesterday after A meeting of commonders was nearly stateday alternoon, at No. 33 Broad street, to discuss the terms of the reorganization of the New York and Buston Italiroad, and to hear a report of the committee appointed at the last meeting to submit a plan for such reorganization. The committee reported the cost of completing and equipping the road as follows:—For construction, \$646,500; for equipment, \$220,000; making a total of \$866,500. The committee recommended that no contract be entered into or anything be done to incur an indebtedness for the completion or equipment of the road until a sufficient amount of money shall have been subscribed to complete the road on the bonds placed in payment for the work. This report was laid over until the next meeting.

Some discussion was indulged in as to the amee the road should be known under and as to the ameent of bonds to be issued. These and the question of terminal facilities were recommitted to the committee, with instructions to report at the next meeting.

A MOTHER'S DISTRESS.

About ten o'clock on Monday night Alexander McCoy, the owner of the tenement house No. 68 James street, had Elizabeth Ryan, aged thirty-two years, one of his tenants, arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct. When she was taken to the station house in Oak street When she was taken to the station house in Oak stress she had a baby in her arms and three small children by her side. After her name, age and residence had been taken down by the Sergeant behind the deak he ordered that the children should be taken away from her. She screamed and begged the officers for God's sake net to take her children sway from her. The children clung to her skirts and refused to be separated from her. Her prayers and tears were alike unavailing. The doorman snatched the infant from her arms. Other officers took away the remaining three children, and she was taken down stairs and locked up in a cell all night. The children were given into the cnatody of McCoy, who, as he passed through the streets on his way home from the station, was hissed and hooted at by a large crowd of people assembled in front of the station house. When Mrs. Ryan was arraigned at the Tombs yesterday morning she was discharged by Justice Marray.

A SWINDLER ARRESTED

On complaint of Henry Greves, a furniture dealer, of No. 12 West Fourth street, Rice Quinn was arraigned at the Washington Piece Police Court yesterday. Mr. Greves stated that one J. Ducatur Potter called on birs and made advances for the loan of money. Petter, who is known to the police as a companion of William J. Rea, alias Jamieson, and Captain William Hammond, now in State Prison en similar charges, brought with him as a voucher the prisoner Quinn, who said he owned the building No. 220 East Tenth street. Potter drew two noises for \$150 each, one for \$250 and one for \$302 50, all of which were drawn in layor of Mr. Greves and indorsed by Quinn. The noise on failing due were protested by the East River Bank, and Mr. Greves ascertained that Quinn did not own the house No. 220 East 1-nth street. He then placed the case in the hands of Detectives Ferris and Williamson, who arrested Quinn in Biecker street on Monday aght. On being arraigned before Justice Murray Quinn was held for trial in default of \$1,000 ball. The detectives are looking for Potter and expect to apprehend hate to day.